

REMARKS

This amendment and these remarks are responsive to the Office action dated August 29, 2003.

Replacement Drawings

The Office action stated that the informal drawings are not of sufficient quality to permit examination and has required new drawings. Without acknowledging the propriety of the requirement, applicants hereby submit 21 sheets of replacement drawings that are in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.81. The content of the replacement drawings is fully supported by the specification and drawings as originally filed, and so does not constitute the addition of any new matter.

Amendments to the Specification

The Office action requested the correction of errors present in the specification. Applicants have therefore amended the specification to correct several typographical errors.

In view of the amendments above, applicants respectfully request examination of the application and allowance of the pending claims.

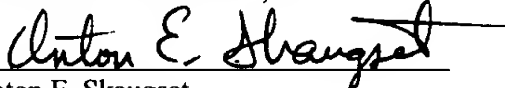
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